GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3712
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DISPOSAL OF SEIZED ARMS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the arms and ammunition confiscated from the terrorists or illegal persons are kept in separate cell;

(b) if so, the policy of the Government to dispose of such arms;

(c) whether arm licence holders are buying those arms in auction or by other mechanism; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a),(b),(c)&(d): Firearms seized or recovered from extremists/terrorists and other anti-social elements are deemed to have been confiscated and forfeited to the State after order of the competent courts has been obtained. State Govts./UT Administations have been authorised to allot the confiscated non-prohibited bore firearms to eligible persons who possess a valid licence. The price of the weapon is fixed by the State Govt./UT Administration on the recommendations of a Price Fixation Committee and such allotment is made subject to the condition that the allottee shall not sell, gift, transfer or otherwise part with the firearm during his life time.